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In re Appln. of: Douglas Charles Myers et al.
 Appln. No.: 10/692,969
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 For: WHEELEND ASSEMBLY WITH
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 Attorney Docket No: 10541-1898

Examiner: William C. Joyce
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Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit this paper comprising the following parts:

- I. **Amendments to the Specification**, beginning on page 2;
- II. **Listing of Claims**, beginning on page 3;
- III. **Remarks**, beginning on page 7.

Applicants note that the Transmittal to which this paper is attached includes a Certificate under 37 C.F.R §1.8; and a fee statement calculating any fee(s) presently due in connection with the filing of this paper, along with an authorization to charge any fee deficiency to the deposit account of Applicants' assignee, Visteon Global Technologies, Inc., Deposit Account No. 06-1500.